

**DAY 14**

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**MATHS**

**QUADRATIC  
EQUATIONS**



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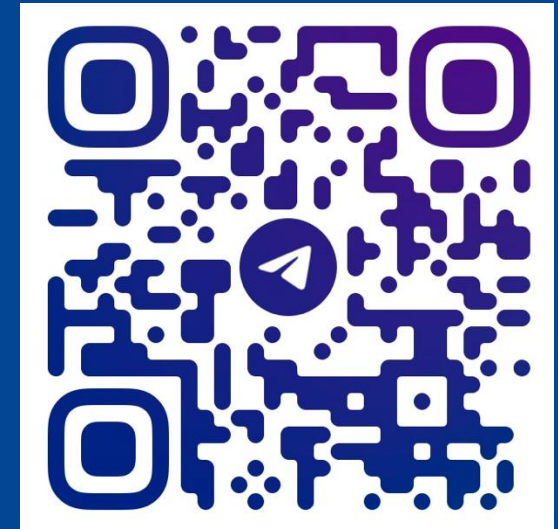




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# Quadratic Equations

$$\cancel{ax^2} + bx + c = 0$$

(where  $a \neq 0$ )

$$\underline{bx + c = 0} \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{linear}}$$





# Solving Quadratic Equations

## Method 1: Factorization

$$\underline{x^2 + 5x + 4 = 0}$$

$$\underline{x^2 + 1x + 4x + 4 = 0}$$

$$x(\underline{x+1}) + \underline{4(x+1)} = 0$$

$$(x+4)(\underline{x+1}) = 0$$

$$x+4=0$$

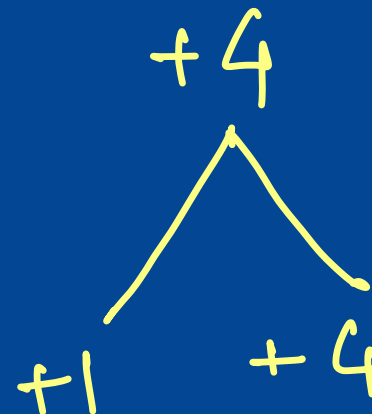
$$x = -4$$

or

$$x+1=0$$

or

$$x = -1$$





# Solving Quadratic Equations

## Method 1: Factorization

$$5x^2 + 8x - 4 = 0$$

$$5x - 4$$

$$= -20$$

$$\underline{5x^2 + 10x} - \underline{2x - 4} = 0$$

$$5x(x+2) - 2(x+2) = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \swarrow \searrow \\ \underline{+10} \quad \underline{-2} \end{array}$$

$$(5x - 2)(x + 2) = 0$$

$$\underline{5x - 2 = 0}$$

or

$$x + 2 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{2}{5}$$

or

$$x = -2$$



# Solving Quadratic Equations

## Method 2: Sridharacharya's Method (Formula Method)

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

$$\boxed{a=3 \quad b=12 \quad c=-4}$$

$$3x^2 + 12x - 4 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$x = \frac{-6 + 4\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

$$x = \frac{-6 - 4\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

$$x = \frac{-12 \pm \sqrt{144 + 48}}{2 \times 3} = \frac{-12 \pm \sqrt{192}}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{-12 \pm 8\sqrt{3}}{6} = \frac{-6 \pm 4\sqrt{3}}{3}$$



**Discriminant**  $(b^2 - 4ac) = \Delta$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

Important Notes:

$$\Delta = b^2 - 4ac = \begin{cases} > 0 \\ = 0 \\ < 0 \end{cases}$$

two real unequal roots.

two real equal roots.

two unreal unequal roots.  
(imaginary)





# Important Points

1. reciprocal roots, if  $a = c$ .
2. one root = 0, if  $c = 0$ .
3. negative and reciprocal roots, if  $c = -a$ .
4. both roots equal to 0, if  $b = 0, c = 0$ .

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

$$\alpha \quad \frac{1}{\alpha}$$



$$\text{Roots} = (\alpha, \beta)$$

If roots of QE are known

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

$$1. \quad \alpha + \beta = \frac{-b}{a}$$

$$2. \quad \alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a}$$

$$3. \quad \text{Quad. Eqn} \Rightarrow x^2 - (\alpha + \beta)x + \alpha\beta = 0$$



$\alpha, \beta$ .

## Important note if roots are known

If the equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  has the roots  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ ,  
then the equation having the roots  $\frac{1}{\alpha}$  and  $\frac{1}{\beta}$ ,  
is  $cx^2 + bx + a = 0$ .

3, 2

$\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}$



Which of the following is a quadratic equation?

(a)  $x^3 - x^2 - x + 5 = 0$

(b)  $x^4 - 10 = 0$

~~(c)  $7x^2 = 49$~~

(d)  $x^4 - x^3 = 9000$

H.P = 2



Find the roots of the quadratic equation

$$6x^2 - 11x - 35 = 0. \quad a = 6 \quad b = -11 \quad c = -35$$

(a)  $\frac{5}{3}, \frac{-7}{2}$

~~(b)  $\frac{-5}{3}, \frac{7}{2}$~~

(c)  $\frac{-3}{5}, \frac{2}{7}$

(d)  $\frac{3}{5}, \frac{-2}{7}$

hac 140  
 $4 \times 6 \times 35$

31

$$x = \frac{11 \pm \sqrt{121 + 840}}{12} = \frac{11 \pm \sqrt{961}}{12} = \frac{11 \pm 31}{12}$$

$$x = \frac{11 + 31}{12} = \frac{42}{12} = \frac{7}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{11 - 31}{12} = \frac{-20}{12} = \frac{-5}{3}$$



If the roots of the equation  $px^2 + x + r = 0$  are reciprocal to each other, then which one of the following is correct?

- (a)  $p = 2r$
- (b)  $p = r$
- (c)  $2p = r$
- (d)  $p = 4r$

$$\alpha \quad \frac{1}{\alpha}$$

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$



If one root of the quadratic equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  is the reciprocal of the other, then which of the following is correct?

(a)  $b = c$

(b)  $ac = 1$

(c)  $a = c$

(d)  $a = bs$

$\alpha$   $\frac{1}{\alpha}$



The multiplication of two consecutive odd numbers is 6723, then square root of the smaller number is

(a) 91

(b) 729

(c) 7

(d) 9

$$\begin{array}{r|l} 3 & 6723 \\ \hline 3 & 2241 \\ \hline 3 & 747 \\ \hline 3 & 249 \\ \hline & 83 \end{array} \quad (x)$$

$(x+2)$

81

$3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3$

$x(x+2) = 6723$

$x^2 + 2x - 6723 = 0$

83

$= 6723$





If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the roots of the equation  $2x^2 - 3x + 2 = 0$ , then the value of  $\frac{\alpha^2}{\beta} + \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha}$  is = ?

(a)  $\frac{45}{16}$

(b)  $\frac{9}{8}$

(c)  $\frac{2}{7}$

(d)  $\frac{8}{9}$

$$\alpha + \beta = \frac{-b}{a} = \frac{-(-3)}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{2}{2} = 1$$

$$\frac{\alpha^2}{\beta} + \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha} = \frac{\alpha^3 + \beta^3}{\alpha\beta} = \frac{(\alpha + \beta)^3 - 3\alpha\beta(\alpha + \beta)}{\alpha\beta}$$

$$= \frac{9}{8}$$

$$= \frac{\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^3 - 3 \times 1 \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)}{1} = \frac{-\frac{27}{8} + \frac{9 \times 4}{2 \times 4}}{8} = \frac{-27 + 36}{8}$$



The sum of the reciprocals of the roots of the equation  $abx^2 = (a^2 + b^2 + 2ab)(x - 1)$  is

(a)  $\frac{2}{3}$

(b)  $\frac{1}{2}$

(c) 2

(d) 1

$\alpha \beta$

$$\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} = \frac{\alpha + \beta}{\alpha\beta}$$

$$\alpha + \beta = -\frac{b}{a}$$

$$abx^2 = (a^2 + b^2 + 2ab)(x - 1)$$

$$= (a^2 + b^2 + 2ab)x = (a^2 + b^2 + 2ab)(1)$$

$$abx^2 - (a^2 + b^2 + 2ab)x + (a^2 + b^2 + 2ab) = 0$$

$$\frac{\alpha + \beta}{\alpha\beta} = \frac{-(a^2 + b^2 + 2ab)}{ab} = 1$$



If one root of the equation  $\frac{x^2}{a} + \frac{x}{b} + \frac{1}{c} = 0$  is  $\alpha$ ,  $\frac{1}{\alpha}$

is reciprocal of the other, then which one of the following is correct?

(a)  $a = b$

(b)  $b = c$

(c)  $ac = 1$

(d)  $a = c$

$a x^2 + b x + c = 0$

$a = c$

$a = \frac{1}{\alpha} \quad c = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\alpha}}$

$\frac{1}{a} = \frac{1}{c}$

$\Rightarrow a = c$



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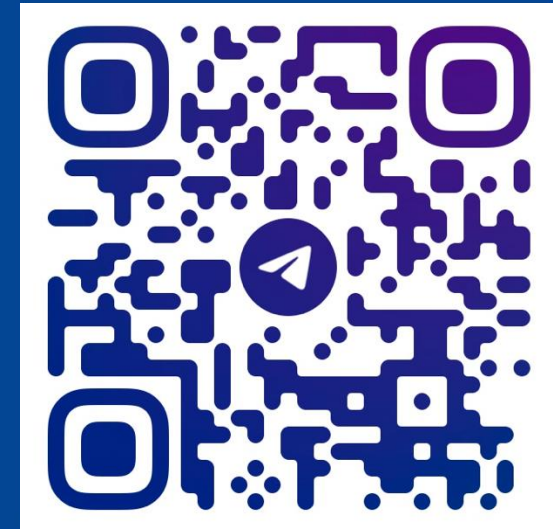


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